

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
CIVIL MINUTES—
GENERAL

Case No. 5:23-cv-01738-SSS-MARx

Date December 6, 2023

Title *Dennis Cooper v. Ampelia Garcia, et al.*

Present: The Honorable SUNSHINE S. SYKES, UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Irene Vazquez

Not Reported

Deputy Clerk

Court Reporter

Attorney(s) Present for Plaintiff(s):

Attorney(s) Present for Defendant(s):

None Present

None Present

**Proceedings: (IN CHAMBERS) Order to Show Cause re Dismissal for
Lack of Prosecution**

Generally, each Defendant must answer or otherwise respond to the complaint within 21 days after service (60 days if the Defendant is the United States). Fed. R. Civ. Proc. 12(a)(1).

In the present case, it appears that Plaintiff served the summons and complaint on one or more Defendants more than 21 days ago (60 days if the Defendant is the United States), but such Defendant(s) did not file an answer or otherwise respond to the complaint. Accordingly, the Court, on its own motion, hereby orders Plaintiff to show cause in writing on or before **December 20, 2023**, why this action should not be dismissed, with respect to Defendant Ampelia Garcia who has not filed an answer or otherwise responded to the complaint. Pursuant to Rule 78 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the court finds that this matter is appropriate for submission without oral argument. This Order to Show Cause will be discharged if Plaintiff files, before the deadline set forth above, a request for the entry of default with respect to the applicable Defendant(s). Fed. R. Civ. Proc. 55(a).

IT IS SO ORDERED.